

# Child Care

## What does this program do?

Funds subsidized child care for low income working families and support programs to improve the quality of early childhood care and education in Missouri.

## What is its statutory base?

State: RSMo 208.044  
Federal: 45 CFR 98.10

## Is this a federally mandated program?

No.

## What is the funding?

State Fiscal Year	General Revenue	Federal	Other	Total
2001	\$57.8 mil	\$97.3 mil	\$12.4 mil	\$167.5 mil*
2002	\$59.4 mil	\$101.0 mil	\$15.6 mil	\$176.0 mil
2003	\$45.9 mil	\$104.2 mil	\$28.2 mil	\$178.3 mil
2004	\$59.3 mil	\$106.6 mil	\$16.0 mil	\$181.9 mil

\*Includes supplemental appropriation

## What are the sources of the non-general revenue funds?

Child Care Development Block Grant (CDBG), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant, Social Services Block Grant (SSBG), Early Childhood Development Educational and Care Fund

## Who is eligible?

- Under federal guidelines, children under 13 in families with income below 85% of the state median income, however, Missouri families are eligible below 35% of the state median income or below 115% of poverty.
- Parents must be working, attending job training or educational programs.

## How many children are using the service?

	SFY-2001	SFY-2002	SFY-2003
Average Number of Children Receiving Child Care Per Month	45,939	46,260	46,824

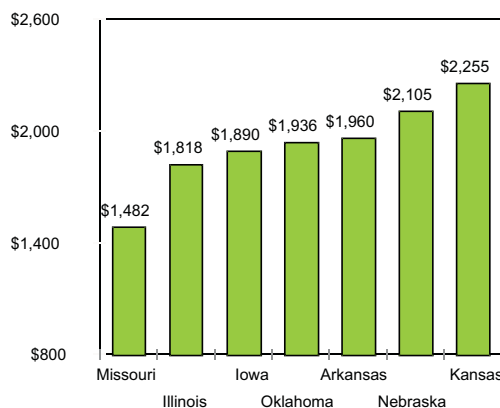
## What is the average rate per month?

	SFY-2001	SFY-2002	SFY-2003
Average Cost of Child Care Per Child Per Month	\$275	\$281	\$281

## How does Missouri's maximum income for eligibility compare with surrounding states?

Among 48 states Missouri had the lowest income eligibility level for child care. See graph (below) showing how Missouri compares to surrounding states.

Maximum Monthly Income for Child Care Eligibility - 2003 (for a family of 3)



## How do Missouri's rates compare to surrounding states?

Among 25 states reporting infant reimbursement as a daily rate, Missouri has the 9th lowest rate. See graph (below) showing Missouri compared with surrounding states.

Child Care Infant Reimbursement Rates - 2003

